

Application No. 09/719,670  
Applicants: Andreas Bleckmann et al.  
Amendment in Response to Office Action dated July 30, 2003

#### REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the following comments.

Claims 5-14 are pending.

#### Obviousness-type double patenting rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 5-14 under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 5-7 and 10-14 of co-pending application serial no. 09/719,365. In response, Applicants submit a terminal disclaimer, which is attached in a separate paper, over co-pending application serial no. 09/719,365.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the Examiner would be fully justified to reconsider and to withdraw this rejection. An early notice that this rejection has been reconsidered and withdrawn is, therefore, earnestly solicited.

#### Conclusion

Applicants believe that the foregoing constitutes a bona fide response to all outstanding objections and rejections.

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Applicants also believe that this application is in condition for immediate allowance.  
However, should any issue(s) of a minor nature remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at telephone number (212) 808-0700 so that the issue(s) might be promptly resolved.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Terminal Disclaimer

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